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COMPLETE MORE POWER PLANTS -- Sofia, Vecherni Novini, 18 Sep 51

The Bulgarian electrical industry now produces transformers, large electric motors, radio amplifiers, automatic telephone exchanges, X-ray apparatus, and radio receiving sets.

The following power plants have been completed and will begin operation soon: the "Maritsa III" TETs (steam-heat and electric power plant) in Dimitrovgrad and the "Republika" TETs in Moshino. The following power plants will be completed soon: the "Vasil Kolarov" TETs, the "Razlog" Hydroelectric Power Plant in Razlog, the "Beli Izvor" Hydroelectric Power Plant, the "Asenitsa II" Hydroelectric Power Plant [in Asenovgrad?] and the "Kitka" Hydroelectric Power Plant in Gorni Lom. The "Vucha" Hydroelectric Power Plant in Devin will be expanded. During 1951, the following power plants, already in operation, were expanded: the "Stalin" TETs in Sofia, the "Tuzha" Hydroelectric Power Plant, the "Asenitsa" Hydroelectric Power Plant in Asenovgrad, the "Ticha" Hydroelectric Power Plant, the "Vidima" Hydroelectric Power Plant, and the "Petrovo" Hydroelectric Power Plant in Petrovo.

When the new power plants begin operation this year, the capacity of all Bulgarian power plants will be almost 40 percent greater than in 1939.

Sofia, Vecherni Novini, 7 Sep 51

In 1939, all Bulgarian power plants had a capacity of 137,000 kilowatts and a production of 266 million kilowatt-hours. According to the Five-Year Plan, power production in 1953 must amount to 1,800,000,000 kilowatt-hours. In addition to the power plants mentioned above, the following small power plants began operation during 1951: "Pleven" DETs (state power plant) in Pleven, "Koynare" VETs (hydroelectric power plant), "Midzhur" MVETs (micro-hydroelectric power plant), "Falkovets" MVETs, and "Khubcha" MVETs. During

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the second half of 1951, the "Dimitrov" TETs /possibly the "Dimitrovo" TETs in Devin?/ began operation. When the "Stalin," "Republika," and "Maritsa III" TETs are completed, their combined production will be greater than the entire Bulgarian power production in 1939. In 1951, the total Bulgarian power production will be five times as great as in 1939.

The first section of the "Stalin" TETs steam-pipe network will be completed during 1951. During this year, 1,060 kilometers of long-distance power lines will be laid; of these, 110 kilometers will consist of high-voltage (110-kilovolt) power lines.

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